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- (3) Masculine and feminine gender languages.
- (4) Direct object preceding verb languages: (a) pure; (b) Bantuised.
- (5) Primeval languages.
- (6) Modern languages, a mixture of others and not classifiable.

This part of the book is full of passages deserving quotation, but we have said enough to show that Migeod's work is of high importance and that its anthropological and psychological value is equal to its linguistic significance.

FREDERICK STARR

The Mende Language. FREDERICK WILLIAM HUGH MIGEOD. London, 1908. 16°, pp. xvii, 18-271. (Price 7s 6d.)

A Grammar of the Hausa Language. FREDERICK WILLIAM HUGH MIGEOD. London. 1914. 16°, pp. xii, 229. (Price 7s 6d.)

Mende Natural History Vocabulary. FREDERICK WILLIAM HUGH MIGEOD. London. 1913. 16°, pp. viii, 9-64. (Price 4s. 6d.)

Three books by the same author and dealing with African languages have been published by the same house, Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner and Co. *The Mende Language* is a practical handbook. It consists of four parts,—useful phrases, grammar, vocabularies, stories. The method of giving the stories deserves imitation: they are told in brief sentences, each given a line, while the translation is printed in corresponding lines opposite. *The Grammar of the Hausa Language* is also a practical book, but intended for students who have already acquired some knowledge of the tongue. The grammar is fully given; the vocabulary is full and diversified; the common idiomatic expressions are carefully selected and arranged to illustrate the rules fully. *The Mende Natural History Vocabulary* shows that the Mende are fair observers of nature; animals and plants are fairly discriminated although some bases of grouping show a viewpoint quite unlike our own. The author gives in connection with the names many interesting notes upon native uses and notions regarding living things, both animals and plants.

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Angass Manual, Grammar and Vocabulary. H. D. FOULKES. London: Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner and Co., 1915. 16°, pp. xviii, 313.

This book is not entirely a purely Angass manual; it is also, and largely, a discussion of Hausa analogies and problems. The Angass language is a monosyllabic language of extremely simple grammatical structure. Foulkes claims that its resemblances to Hausa are so many and striking